IRDP beneficiaries in Gujarat

1460. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that benefits under Integrated Rural Development Programme do not properly reach the beneficiaries particularly to the SCs/STs in Gujarat because of block level survey of villages in the State;

(b) whether Government propose to undertake any survey in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken in this regard by Union Government in Gujarat, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) There is no evidence to indicate that because of block level survey, benefits under Integrated Rural Development (IRDP) is not properly reaching the beneficiaries, particularly SC/STs. In the State of Gujarat. During 1993-94, against a target of 74909 families to be covered under IRDP, number of families actually covered was 79725 (106 per cent of physical target). Of these 41219 families belonged to SC/ST category. The coverage of SC|ST families as a percentage of total families assisted was 51.7 per cent. This was higher than the target for SC|STs. at 50 per cent for the programme. Even as per the actual performance during 1994-95 (upto October, 94) percentage coverage of SC|ST is 50.5 per cent.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Rural Development conducts Concurrent Evaluation Surveys to assess whether benefits of the programme are adequately reaching the target groups. This survey is conducted on a sample basis at regular intervals. According to the last published Concurrent Evaluation Survey results for 1989 coverage of SC/ST families in the State of Gujarat was 38.92 per cent against a target of 30 per cent. (The target for SC/STs was subsequently raised to 50 per cent in 1990-91)

Potable water in Resourceless Villages

1461. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the results achieved so far for providing Potable Water in the resourceless villages of Madhya Pradesh keeping in view the target fixed under the Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission;

(b) whether Government have certain anomalies in the scheme; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to check the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) As per the survey conducted in 1985, 14714 villages were identified as 'No Source' villages in Madhya Pradesh. All these villages have been provided with atleast one or more source of safe drinking water facilities as on 31.3.1994.

Against a target of 7,000 habitations to be covered with safe drinking water facilities in 1994-95, 5,547 habitations have already been covered as on 31-10-1994.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Question does not arise.

Drought Prone area Programme in Madhya Pradesh

1462. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of land included under Drought-Prone Area Programme in Madhya Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the district-wise details of schemes launched for these areas;